regulations prescribed thereunder in this subchapter.

[CGD 80-120, 47 FR 5722, Feb. 8, 1982, as amended by CGD 97-057, 62 FR 51043, Sept. 30, 1997; USCG-1998-4442, 63 FR 52190, Sept. 30, 1998]

\$42.03-15 The Great Lakes of North America.

- (a) The term "Great Lakes of North America" means those waters of North America which are defined in §42.05-40, and in the exception in Article 5(2)(a) of the 1966 Convention.
- (b) The expressions in the regulations in this part, such as "voyages by sea," "proceed to sea," "arrive from the high seas," etc., shall be construed as having no application to voyages on the Great Lakes or portions thereof unless specifically provided otherwise in Part 45 of this subchapter.

[CGFR 68-60, 33 FR 10050, July 12, 1968]

§42.03-17 Special load line marks for vessels carrying timber deck cargo.

- (a) Certain vessels having load line marks not related to carriage of timber deck cargo may be assigned timber load lines if they are in compliance with the applicable requirements governing timber deck cargoes in this subchapter. The timber load lines apply and may be used only when the vessel is carrying timber deck cargo.
- (b) A new or existing vessel having timber load lines assigned to it, when carrying timber deck cargo, may be loaded to the vessel's timber load line applicable to the voyage and season.

[CGFR 68-60, 33 FR 10050, July 12, 1968, as amended by CGD 80-120, 47 FR 5722, Feb. 8, 1982]

§ 42.03-20 Equivalents.

(a) Where in this subchapter it is provided that a particular fitting, material, appliance, apparatus, or equipment, or type thereof, shall be fitted or carried in a vessel, or that a particular provision shall be made or arrangement shall be adopted, the assigning authority, with the prior approval of the Commandant, may accept in substitution therefor any other fitting, material, apparatus, or equipment or type thereof, or any other provision or arrangement: *Provided*, That it can be

demonstrated by trial thereof or otherwise that the substitution is at least as effective as that required by the regulations in this subchapter.

(b) In any case where it is shown to the satisfaction of the assigning authority and the Commandant that the use of any particular equipment, apparatus, or arrangement not specifically required by law is unreasonable or impracticable, appropriate alternatives may be permitted under such conditions as are consistent with the minimum standards set forth in this subchapter.

[CGFR 68-60, 33 FR 10050, July 12, 1968]

§ 42.03-25 Experimental installations.

- (a) Complete information (including plans, necessary instructions and limitations, if any) on proposed experimental installations affecting any fitting, material, appliance, apparatus, arrangement, or otherwise shall be submitted to the assigning authority for evaluation. After acceptance by the assigning authority, the complete information of such installation shall be forwarded to the Commandant for specific approval prior to installation. Complete information shall also be furnished for any associated installation(s) deemed necessary to prevent endangering the vessel during the trial period of proposed experimental installations.
- (b) The use of approved experimental installations shall be permitted only when in accordance with instructions and limitations as specifically prescribed for such installations by the Commandant.

[CGFR 68-60, 33 FR 10050, July 12, 1968]

§ 42.03-30 Exemptions for vessels.

(a) For an individual vessel or category of vessels, upon the specific recommendation of the assigning authority, the Commandant may authorize an exemption from one or more load line requirements. Such recommendation and authorization will depend upon provision of any additional features as deemed necessary by the authorities to ensure the vessel's safety in the services and under the conditions specified in paragraph (b) of this section.